subject were received by the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals from Members of Parliament on the ground that this drug did not fulfil any exclusion criteria.

(c) and (d) Government has recently put 21 drugs including Oxyfederine under price control. Government has also set up a Standing Committee to consider the various representations concerning Drugs (Prices Control Order, 1987 relating to inclusion/exclusion of drugs in the Scheduled Categories.

Representations against anomalies in Kelkar Committee Report

674. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3739 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th August, 1988 and state;

(a) whether it is a fact that representations from Members of Parliament regarding discrepancies, contradictions and anomalies have not been annexed with the Supplementary Report of the Kelkar Committee;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what is the total number of representations received after the submission of the Report till the submission of Supplemenary Report by his Ministry and Kelkar Committee;

(d) what are the details of such representations;

(e) whether it is also a fact that a number of representations have been made regarding anomalies after the submission of the Supplementary Report to his Department; and

(f) if so, what are the details of such representations?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, However, the Kelkar Committee considered the representations before submitting the Supplementary Report to the Government.

(c) to (f) As per available information, about 65 representations were received by the Deptt. of Chemicals & Petrochemicals and Kelkar Committee after the submission of the main Report by the Kelkar Committee. All the representations were mainly concerned inclusion/exclusion of drugs under price control. Similarly, representations have also been received by the Government after the submission of Supplementary Report by the Kelkar Committee. Government has recently constituted a Standing Committee to consider the various representations concerning DPCO-1987 relating to inclusion/exclusion of drugs in the Scheduled Categories.

Price Control on Imported drugs

675. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 596 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th February, 1989 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that landed cost of imports of the drugs Amitriptyline Hcl., Chlorpromazine, Trifluoremazine Hcl. and Trifluperazine Hcl. is more than fifty lakhs of rupees per year;

(b) whether it is also a fact that none of these drugs fulfil any exclusion criteria laid down by Kelkar Committee;

(c) if so, on what grounds these imported drugs have been price decontrolled;

(d) whether it is also a fact that price decontrol of such drugs will boost imports and not indigenous production which is the objective spelt out;

(e) what action has been taken against those who examined the recommendations of exclusion of these drugs from price control;

(f) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry received a number of representations for inclusion of these drugs in the price control list; and

(g) if so, what action has been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY) : (a) to (g) Government has recently put 21 bulk drugs including the following three bulk drugs under Category-II of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987.

Amitriptyline Hcl.

Chlorpromazine

Trifluoperazine Hcl.

Government has also constituted a Standing Committee to consider all the matters connected with the review of Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987 and the representations made on various policy issues concerning Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987 including inclusion/exclusion of drugs in the Scheduled Categories.

Prices of pesticides, insecticides and weedicides

676. SHRI SOHAN LAL DHUSIYA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

a) what were the prices of each of the bulk Pesticides, Insecticides and Weedicides before the grant of import duty concession on the intermediates imported for their production ;

(b) what are the names of the producers of each and what was the consumption co-efficient per unit of production ;

(c) whether his Ministry reduced the prices of these after duty concession;

(d) if so, what was the reduced price of each; and

(e) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (e) The prices of Pesticides, Insecticides and Weedicides are neither fixed nor monitored by the Government.

Wrong identification of drugs

677. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO:

DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the production of Streptomycin had gone down;

(b) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry is monitoring the production of this drug;

(c) if so, what are the names of the producers and the quantum of production of this drug during the last three years, year-wise;

(d) whether it is also a fact that producers have threatened to stop production of this drug due to discrimination by his Ministry in respect of identification of categorisation;

(e) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry shifted another drug for the same thereapeutic indication from category-I to category-II;

(f) if so, what are the details thereof and what are the reasons therefor;